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(SYRIA)
UNITED NATIONS, N.Y.--GEORGE J. TONEN, SYRIA'S AMBASSADOR TO THE U.N., SAID TONIGHT THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY WAS SUPPORTING ISRAEL IN A PLOT TO PROVOKE WAR IN THE MIDDLE EAST.
TONEN MADE THE CHARGE IN A LETTER TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL IN WHICH HE ACCUSED ISRAELI LEADERS OF PLANNING TO LAUNCH "LARGE-SCALE ACTIVITIES AGAINST SYRIA."
THE LETTER DID NOT REQUEST A MEETING OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL ON THE ISSUE.
TONEN'S LETTER SAID ISRAEL'S POSITION "MERELY REFLECTS THE OF THE ROLE--THAT OF DIRECT PROVOCATION--GIVEN TO ISRAEL TO PLAY WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF A LARGE CONSPIRACY DIRECTED AND FINANCED BY THE CIA."
ARTHUR J. GOLDBERG, THE U.S. AMBASSADOR TO THE U.N., ISSUED A STATEMENT TONIGHT SUPPORTING EFFORTS BY SECRETARY GENERAL THORNTON TO MAINTAIN PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

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